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• Degree in Biology (1983-1988). University of Pavia (Italy). Dissertation (in Italian): "Italian growth standards for several anthropometric measurements".

# Post-graduate education:

- Specialization school in Health Statistics (1989-1991). University of Pavia (I). Dissertation (in Italian): "The ECHRS survey on respiratory diseases: organization and potential for bias in a prevalence study".
- Ph.D. in Biomedical Statistics (1991-1996). Universities of Milano and Pavia (I). Dissertation (in Italian): "Bias in observational epidemiology".

# Scientific activity and employment:

- Attended for two years (1986-1988) the Dept. of Animal Biology, section of Human Anthropology (University of Pavia (I)) for the dissertation's research.
- Attended for five years (1990-1995) the Institute of Applied Sanitary Science, section of Medical Statistics (University of Pavia (I)) for the preparation of the specialization dissertation and for the Ph.D. activity.
- Visited the Danish Epidemiology Science Centre (University of Århus (DK)) on two occasions as a Ph.D. student (March 15<sup>th</sup>-June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1994 and March 1<sup>st</sup>-June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1995). Host: Prof. Jorn Olsen.
- Research assistant professor at The Danish Epidemiology Science Centre, Århus (DK): February 1<sup>st</sup>, 1996-June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2000.
- Research associate professor at The Danish Epidemiology Science Centre, Århus (DK): from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2000 to June 30, 2004.
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- 7. Christensen K, <u>Basso O</u>, Kyvik KO, Juul S, Boldsen J, Vaupel JW, Olsen J. Fecundability of female twins. Epidemiology 1998;9:189-92.
- 8. <u>Basso O</u>, Olsen J, Knudsen L, Christensen K. Low birthweight and preterm birth after short interpregnancy intervals. Am J Obstet Gynecol 1998;178:259-63.
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- 20. <u>Basso O</u>, Juul S, Olsen J. Time to pregnancy as a correlate of fecundity: differential persistence in trying to become pregnant as a source of bias. Int J Epidemiol 2000;29:856-861.
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# **Tutoring activity**

I have participated in advising several students and PhD students at the Danish Epidemiology Science Centre and at the Institute of Epidemiology (University of Århus, DK).

# **Teaching activity**

- Tutorial activity in Statistics and Mathematics for the 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students of the University of Pavia (I) (Academic years: 1990-91; 1991-92; 1992-93; 1993-94; 1994-95).
- Joint seminars of Statistics and Epidemiology for post-graduate Specialization Schools of Medicine, University of Pavia (I) (1990-91; 1991-92; 1992-93; 1993-94).
- Teacher at the post-graduate Specialization School in Health Statistics at the University of Pavia (I) on 'Statistical Analysis of epidemiological data' (1991-92; 1992-93).
- Teacher at the post-graduate Specialization School in Health Statistics at the University of Pavia (I) on 'Study design and methods in epidemiology' (1993-94; 1994-95).
- Supervisor of group work in the 'Advanced course in epidemiologic methods' for PhD students. University of Århus (DK). 24-25 January 1997.
- Teacher, with prof. Jørn Olsen, of the intensive course in epidemiology 'Design and Bias'.
  Specialization School in Health Statistics. Pavia (I), 7-11 April 1997.
- 'Linear regression and logistic regression. Basic concepts and applications in epidemiology'. Teaching seminar at the Meeting of the Danish Epidemiology Science Centre. 15 December 1997.
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- Teacher at the Ph.D. course in Epidemiology, part 2, Case control studies. University of Århus (DK), 31 Aug-2 Sep 2000.
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- Teaching seminar at the Master of Public Health. 9 December 2003.
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